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**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

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Have you challenged yourself by turning something new or something you have not attempted for some time? If you have please bring it –or them- for Show and Tell – if not when you see the items brought by those who have, challenge yourself to use the ones others have made to inspire you to make something new.



Thank you to those who participated at Schwerkolt Cottage- Arthur, Geoff and Ian for transporting and the other members who attended and participated. There were attentive audiences for most of the day. The next Demonstration Day will be at The Whitehorse Spring Fest on 23<sup>rd</sup> October when many demonstrators will be needed. The Guild has permission to sell items on that day so if you have high quality, well finished items for sale bring them . A commission of 20% will go to the Guild.

Matt Irving, the late Harold Irving has some of Harold's tools and lathe for sale. The lathe is a Durden Top Turn 400 which many years ago cost \$3995 new. If you are interested I can arrange for you to speak to Matt. Other items for sale are mentioned further on in the news letter.

We have the use of a small display case at the Vermont South Library for a month from the 28<sup>th</sup> September. Please bring small items you would like displayed at our next meeting.

The Cottage will be undergoing some repairs from 26<sup>th</sup> September for two weeks. The heating system is to be upgraded and the roof to be replaced. This will mean we will not have the use of any part of the site from 26<sup>th</sup> September to the 10<sup>th</sup> of October.

The committee is keen to know if members think it will be a good idea and if we would have sufficient workers to have another Open Day next year, possibly at March meeting time. Please be prepared with a frank opinion.

At our meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> September Michael Bell will demonstrate another way to use resin and wood. Michael is a young turner taught by his Grandfather.

A Master turner was once asked, :Which is your favourite piece?"  
The answer, " My last piece." "And which is your best piece?"  
"MY NEXT ONE!"

I hope to see you on 24<sup>th</sup>

Ray

## SHOW AND TELL



Graham Besley's blackwood bowl and banksias nut coffee pot - no! the lid does not come off.

How ingenious of Reg!!  
A lace bobbin winder



Two bowls from Ray Smith made from a eucalypt with impressive fiddle backing. Two items from someone who did not fill in the listing sheet!!!!

## TEA LIGHTS

From the many tea lights which were brought the two below were selected as the best. Well done Graham Besley and Alan Thompson.



FOR SALE  
TAURUS ROUTER TABLE MOD TTA 780 WITH ACCESSORIES

ROUTER ¼ - 5/16 VARIABLE SPEED MOD TTA 632  
NEW NEVER USED

Joe Walker 9848 1618

## THE BRIAN CHRISTIAN AWARD



Established in 1998 to honour the memory of founding member Brian Christian. Brian was an excellent woodturner prepared to share his knowledge, skill and design techniques in order to encourage others to extend their skills and abilities.

The aim is to recognise a member for marked improvement since becoming a member while at the same time contributing to the Guild.

When presenting this year's award to John Osborne President Dianna said that not only had John brought some turnings of very high standard but he had been conscientious in his years of being secretary and was always ready to assist the Guild.

## TOYS FOR COUNTRY HOPE



In memory of John Atkinson who championed the idea a collection of people and ducks has been made to pass on to Camp hope where they will be painted by children with cancer.

Joe Walker really took to it with a large box of ducks and birds.

Alan Thompson's man was judged the best made.

## St. Alfred's Boys' Club Visit

Twenty boys from the group came to see a turning demonstration by Graham Besley, listen to a talk by Arthur Sankey and buy Fathers' Day gifts (which Guild members had made) from President Dianna.

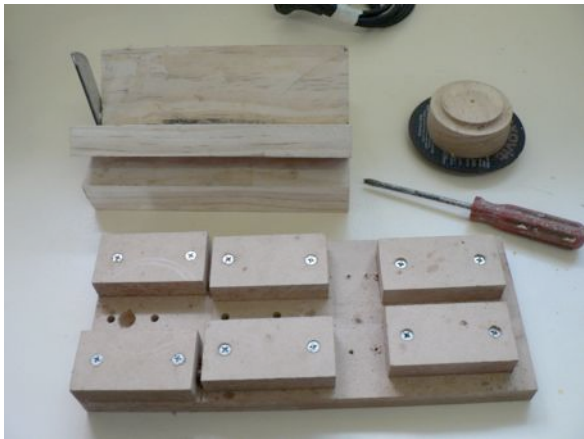


**JIGS AND GADGETS**



David Coull's wooden tail stock saves making a point when finishing an item. His wooden jaws will fit sizes the metal ones won't and will not mark as much.

A support for cutting cylinders on the and saw.  
An angle grinder cutter to sharpen a screw driver for beads.  
A jig for drilling accurate holes in a cylinder.



Guess which fits the picture?  
Tools made from masonry nails.  
A jamb chuck which can be used many times.  
Tail and head stocks with a difference.  
Sanding tools.  
Holding small items when sawing.  
Finding a centre.  
Pipes cut for holding without marking.  
A mandrill for wheels



## **TOOLS FOR SALE**

At the end of our next meeting some tools of the late Harold Irving will be displayed for sale. They consist of good quality gouges and skewes as well as other small hand tools used for wood turning.

Each will be marked with a number and a price a number and a price. When purchased take them to the treasurer who will take your money or an account of what is owing.

As well as these there are these other large items which can be dealt with by contacting Matt Irving. I can arrange that.

Durden Lathe Topturn 400 Cost 3995 new - many years ago

A German made 200mm grinder on stand

Triton Workbench with extension

A large 2hp dust extractor

A GMC compressor plus air drill and tools

2 dried oak beams 4.5 metres long 2 Osage logs 1.5metres by 250mm  
1 She oak log 1.5 metres by 250mm

At our meeting in October there will be smaller timber available for sale. Some of it is very valuable and still needs pricing.

## **TOY APPEAL**

The Annual Harold Irving Christmas Toy Appeal will be held again this year with the recipients being Eastern Relief and the Salvation Army. **This has been a Guild highlight for many years.** Members are again asked to assist by making high quality toys for all ages or make a donation of toys.

These will be presented to the recipients The Salvation Army and Eastern Emergency Relief at our meeting In November  
Are you able to help ?

## **UPMARKET 109**

We have requested a stall when the Cottage holds UpMarket 109 on 19<sup>th</sup> November. Items must be of a very high standard and be marked with turner and price. The Guild will charge a 20% commission.

The Annual subscription of \$45 as passed at the AGM is now due. Thanks to the many members who paid at last meeting. See the treasurer if you haven't paid.

**DON'T FORGET SHOW AND TELL ONE FROM EVERYONE!!!!**  
and small items for display at Vermont South Library.